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...BELOW NORMAL PRECIPITATION CONTINUES ACROSS SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA...

DATING BACK TO JULY 1, 2003 (THE BEGINNING OF THE LAST WATER YEAR WHICH ENDED JUNE 30, 2004) MOST OF SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA HAS EXPERIENCED BELOW NORMAL RAINFALL...WITH MOST SITES GENERALLY RECEIVING ONLY 35-85% OF NORMAL RAINFALL. THE NEW WATER YEAR...WHICH BEGAN JULY 1, 2004...HAS CONTINUED TO BE DRY WITH MOST SITES REPORTING NO PRECIPITATION DURING THE MONTH OF AUGUST. SOME RECENT PRECIPITATION HAS BEEN REPORTED IN THE MOUNTAINS AND DESERTS DUE TO MONSOONAL THUNDERSTORMS.

FOR COMPARISON PURPOSES...LOS ANGELES DOWNTOWN HAD ITS DRIEST SEASON ON RECORD IN 2001-2002 WITH ONLY 4.42 INCHES OF RAIN. DURING THE WATER YEAR THAT ENDED ON JUNE 30, 2004...LOS ANGELES DOWNTOWN RECEIVED 9.25 INCHES OF RAIN.

FOLLOWING ARE RAINFALL COMPARISONS FOR LOCATIONS ACROSS SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA FOR WATER YEAR 2004-05 (JULY 1, 2004 THROUGH AUGUST 31, 2004)...

LOCATION	* RAIN	**NORMAL	% OF NORMAL
LOS ANGELES DOWNTOWN	0.00.....	0.03.....	00%
LOS ANGELES AIRPORT	0.00.....	0.13.....	00%
MOUNT WILSON	0.00.....	0.29.....	00%
OXNARD WFO	0.00.....	0.07.....	00%
PALMDALE	0.00.....	0.13.....	00%
SANTA BARBARA CITY	0.00.....	0.03.....	00%
PASO ROBLES	0.00.....	0.06.....	00%
SANTA MARIA AIRPORT	0.00.....	0.05.....	00%
SAN LUIS OBISPO (POLY)	0.00.....	0.08.....	00%
BIG BEAR LAKE	1.58.....	1.73.....	91%
LAKE CUYAMACA	0.31.....	1.36.....	23%
LAGUNA BEACH	0.00.....	0.16.....	00%
RIVERSIDE	0.00.....	0.19.....	00%
SAN DIEGO	0.00.....	0.12.....	00%

* RAIN IS TOTAL AMOUNT MEASURED FROM JULY 1, 2004 THROUGH AUGUST 31, 2004

**NORMAL IS BASED UPON A 30 YEAR PERIOD FROM 1971 TO 2000 AND FOR THE DAYS OF JULY 1 THROUGH AUGUST 31.

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